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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action dated December 15, 2004.

Amendments to the Claims being on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.